

Seat Pleasant visits the Kenyan Embassy





The Embassy of Kenya in Washington, D.C. is the Republic of Kenya's diplomatic mission to the United States. The Mayor of Seat Pleasant met with the representatives on behalf of Ambassador is Robinson Njeru Githae. The Mayor presented the benefits of the shared service hub, the Connected Government Solutions Center, and the Implications it can have for the Kenyan nation. Kenya, home to Africa's 'Silicon Valley', is set to be the continent's ultimate tech hub.

## **City of Seat Pleasant**

MAYOR

Eugene W. Grant

COUNCIL PRESIDENT
Ward III

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WARD I COUNCILMEMBER

Lamar Maxwell

WARD II COUNCILMEMBER

Hope Love

WARD IV COUNCILMEMBER

**Charl Jones** 

WARD V COUNCILMEMBER

Gloria Sistrunk

AT-LARGE COUNCILMEMBER

Kelly Porter

AT-LARGE COUNCILMEMBER

Shireka McCarthy

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Jeannelle Wallace

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CITY CLERK

Dashaun N. Lanham

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Sharron Lipford

# The City of Seat Pleasant would like to highlight some of these amazon women in honoring of



## Women's History Month!!





# Jeannelle Branson Wallace City Administrator

Jeannelle Wallace has over 42 years of administrative and managerial experience in municipal government working for five (5) cities in Prince George's County, Maryland. She is the former Director of the Youth and Family Services Bureau and City Manager for the City of Glenarden; Town Manager for the Town of Fairmount Heights; City Manager for the City of Mount Rainier; and Interim Town Administrator for the Town of Capitol Heights. Ms. Wallace currently serves as the City Administrator for the City of Seat Pleasant, serving in this capacity since August 2017. Ms. Wallace has been interviewed by WUSA 9 and NBC 4, served on former Governor

Schafer's Youth Violence Prevention Task Force, former speaker for the US Department of Labor Expo convention, and has served on various Maryland Municipal League Committees.



## Mother Martha G. Grant First Mother of Seat Pleasant

Mother Grant was born in New Jersey in the 1930's and is the fourth of six children born to the late Elder Gus and Mother Jenny Grant. She attended schools in the states of Ohio and Maryland. She later traveled to California to study dentistry but later changed to nursing. She has been serving our Veterans at the Veterans Administration Hospital for over 55 years. During

her time at Veterans Hospital she has received a number of awards and commendations for her outstanding work. Known for her compassion she counts serving our veterans as a great honor. Here favorite holiday is Veterans Day. Mother Grant is a licensed minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ and is active in her church.



# St. It.

# Sharron Lipford Director of Public Engagement

Sharron Lipford is a life-long resident of Prince George's County, Maryland and native of Upper Marlboro. She has been drawn to serving the community since child-hood by participating in multiple volunteer endeavors and non-profit opportunities. Those non-profits include the P.I.T.S. (Positive Innovations to Succeed in Sports, Inc.) foundation non-profit as well as the Mistaken Identity non-profit as the Director of Corporate Outreach. Ms. Lipford is a graduate of Largo High School and she

received her higher education at Virginia State University with undergraduate and graduate degrees in Sport Management. From graduating with her Masters degree in 2012, Ms. Lipford gained two and a half years of experience as a Manager of a nationally incorporated fitness franchise.

She is a leader who is devoted to strengthening community partnerships and proactively addressing public empowerment and self-sustaining information. She possesses a unique and vital understanding of the challenges and needs of her community from years of education, personal experience and data research served as a member of society.



# Dashaun Lanham City Clerk

Dashaun Lanham has worked with the City of Seat Pleasant since November 5, 2007 as the Acting City Clerk. Mrs. Lanham was recommended by the Mayor for the position of City Clerk. The City Council graciously accepted the recommendation and appointed Mrs. Lanham as the City Clerk for the City of Seat Pleasant on July 14, 2008. Ms. Lanham achieved the Certified Municipal Clerk(CMC) designation in February 2014, as the first City Clerk for Seat Pleasant to achieve the designation. Dashaun has attended Strayer University and the Reporting Academy of Virginia, and currently taking courses to become a Certified Parliamentarian. Ms. Lanham was born in Washington, DC and attended District of Columbia Public Schools. Dashaun is a

member of Maryland Municipal Clerk Association, International Institute of Municipal Clerk, and American Institute of Parliamentarians. Ms. Lanham has served on the Legislative Committee, Engagement and Outreach, Scholarship Committee. MS. Lanham has three daughters and three grand-daughters and a member of Newness of Life Bible Church.



## Hope Love

## **Ward II Councilmember**

Councilmember Hope Love, Ward II, was appointed by the City Council on Monday, July 10, 2017 to fill the remaining term. She is native of Washington, DC and moved in the City of Seat Pleasant, A Smart City of Excellent in 2002. She has developed a relationship with many of her neighbors; especially the senior citizens whom she affectionately refers to as the "rock" of the neighborhood. Ms. Love learned early on the importance of work ethic and has mastered longevity in the workplace. She has over 45 years of experience, working for agencies such as the United States Postal Service, The Washington Post, and Amtrak. While at Amtrak, Hope works as a crew dispatcher. She believes her skills as communications personnel, responsible for transmitting

pure and reliable messages, has prepared her to engage her residents in ways that have never been done before. Ms. Love is an active member of the Way of the Cross Church, where she is the Director of the Gospel Chorus Choir, the Seat Pleasant Citizens for Public Safety Advisor Council, and has also served two terms as an elected board member of Transportation Communications Union (TCU) 570. Councilmember Love chairs the Human Services, Health and Education Committee, a member of the Finance & Budget and Public Works and Transportation Committees.



## **Charl Jones**

## **Ward IV Councilmember**

Councilwoman Charl Jones is a longtime resident of the City of Seat Pleasant. Ms. Jones is a product of the Prince Georges County School System, attending school at Seat Pleasant Elementary school in the 60's and currently resides in the Village of Highland Gardens Community in Ward 4. She has more than 30 years of experience in the Information Technology Arena supporting various Federal Government Agencies as well as Private Industry. Charl Jones has served on the City Council for 10 years, as the representative for Ward IV and as an At-Larger Councilmember. Councilwoman Jones has always been engaged in the community and has always placed herself in a position to help those in need. She has been a part of organizations

such as the NAACP, International Who's Who of Information Technology and has also been a Notary Public for the state of Maryland. She is looking forward to assisting in the legislation that will move "A Smart City of Excellence" into the 21<sup>st</sup> century using todays and future technologies to serve the constituents.





## TRASH REMOVEL

- + Trash can be placed out at 5PM the day before collection
- + Trash containers should be removed after pick-up within 24hrs
- + Containers should not be visable from the front yard

For further information please see City Code 129-12 or contact **Code Enforcement, (301) 499-8700** 

## BARKING DOGS??



- What should you do if your neighbors dog annoys you?
- □ Take these things into consideration, dogs bark for several reasons. when being playful, to gain attention, to warn or alert you etc.
- □ Contact your neighbor, often times the owners are not aware this may be disturbing others.

For further information please see **City Code Chapter 59** 



## **Attention Seat Pleasant Senior Citizens!**

AARP will be available to seniors and low income individuals in Seat Pleasant to help file taxes for the upcoming year from February 1st - April 15<sup>th</sup> of 2018! This will be held at the Activity Center in the Kevin Durant room from 9:00am-3:00pm.

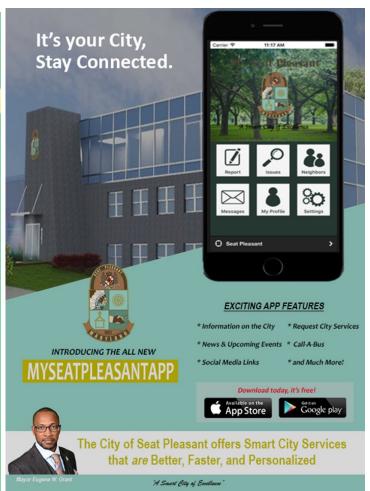


**EDUCATE** 

**EMPOWER** 

Jim Woods, AARP Representative, is scheduled to start at Seat Pleasant Activity Center on February 1, 2018 until April 15, 2018 to assist Seniors and low income individuals with filing their taxes.











## Ward V. Councilmember

Councilmember Gloria L. Sistrunk, Ward V, was elected to office September 12, 2016. Ms. Sistrunk is the daughter of Former Councilmember Virginius V. Williams a second-generation Councilmember for Ward V. Ms. Sistrunk has been resident of Seat Pleasant for 53 years. Ms. Sistrunk was born in Washington, D.C., at Walter Reed Medical Center to a military father the late Virginius Gene Williams and Jackie Williams. Ms. Sistrunk retired from Amtrak (National Passenger Railroad Association) December 2011 after 37

years. She worked her way from Receptionist to Senior Officer Equipment Scheduling through education, hard work, dedication, and training. Ms. Sistrunk has been involved in the community and politics since 1994 with CDCFC. Ms. Sistrunk was elected to fill the term of President in 1999 for the 7th Councilmanic District Constituent Fund Committee (CDCFC), where she remained the president for twelve (12) years. Ms. Sistrunk serves as a Volunteer Assistant, Administration Office, St. Stephen Baptist Church, Temple Hills, MD 20748. Ms. Sistrunk is involved in many other community service organizations. She is a current member of Seat Pleasant Citizens for Public Safety Advisory Council (CPAC). Councilwoman Sistrunk is the chair Governmental Affairs and Technology and a committee member of Public Safety, Economic Development, Planning, and Housing.



#### **CITY CLERK**



## **City Council Monthly Meeting & Legislation Action**

## January 2018

Tuesday, January 16, 2018-Regular Work Session

Charter Amendment Resolution-CA-18-01 Charter Amendment Resolution-City Clerk Approved 6-1-0

Tuesday, January 16, 2018- Public Session

o The Meeting Minutes for the month of December were approved on Tuesday, January 16, 2018

### February 2018

### Monday, February 5, 2018-Regular Work Session

- Ordinance O-18-05 Amendment of Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget for the National Association of Athletic / Activities League Grant Approved 7-0-0
- Resolution R-18-10 Adoption of Emergency Preparedness and Operations Plan for the City of Seat Pleasant Approved 7-0-0

Copies of legislation and approved meeting minutes can be found on the City's website www.seatpleasantmd.gov or by contacting the City Clerk Dashaun N. Lanham, CMC directly on 301-336-2600.

The City Council monthly meetings for the month of March will be held on Monday, March 12, 2018, for the Regular Work Session at 6:00p.m., and the Public Session at 7:30p.m.





## A MESSAGE FROM THE SEAT PLEASANT FIRE DEPARTMENT

(6305 ADDISON ROAD SEAT PLEASANT, MD. 20743)

## SEAT PLEASANT FIRE VOLUNTEER DEPARTMENT RECRUITMENT

PERSONS INTERESTED IN BECOMING A VOLUNTEER MEMBER OF THE SEAT PLEASANT VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY, INC. ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND RECRUITMENT SEESSIONS THROUGHT THE YEAR. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL OR TEXT 301 232 7975



# Shireka McCarthy Councilmember-At-Large

Shireka McCarthy was elected on September 12, 2016 as Councilmember-At-Large becoming the youngest person elected to serve the City of Seat Pleasant. Ms. McCarthy is a native of Prince George's County Maryland. She has been a resident of Seat Pleasant for 12 years. Ms. McCarthy attended Coppin State University where she received her Bachelors of Social Work (BSW) and Howard University where she received her Masters of Social Work (MSW). Ms. McCarthy is a licensed graduate social worker (LGSW) in both the District of Columbia and State of Maryland. Ms. McCarthy is a proud first-generation college student. Her journey and education has taught her integrity and the importance of human relationships. The principles of the social work profession are

precisely the foundation of her compassion, drive, and emphasis on change. Since being elected to office, Ms. McCarthy has joined the Maryland Municipal League and Prince George's County Municipal Association serving on the Legislative Committee. She is also a very active member of the National League of Cities National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials (NBC-LEO) constituency group and currently serves on the Board of Directors. In addition, Ms. McCarthy is chair of the Council's Budget and Finance Committee.

## **Discussions of Partnership with College Track**

On February 27th, 2018 Prince George's County was made even happier as a result of Kevin Wayne Durant. At a private event in Suitland hosted by Karen R. Toles our County Councilwoman Kevin announced the construction of the Durant Center which will house the nationally renowned College Track program. He is investing \$10 million dollars to help thousands of children from the Public School System. Seat Pleasant will be assisting the College Track organization under the direction of our Director of Public Engagement Ms. Sharron Lipford and her Assistant Ms. Tanika Shields. Ms. Lipford will coordinate the referral for Seat Pleasant children who wish to participate and benefit from the College Track program housed in the Durant Center.





Thank you Kevin for all you do for our community.



